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David J. BALLANCE et al.) Group Art Unit: 1653
Application No.: 09/832,501) Examiner: Hope A. Robinson
Filed: April 12, 2001)
For: ALBUMIN FUSION PROTEINS)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the two PTO 1449s attached (43 pages and 5 pages). This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a Final action, Quayle action, or a Notice of Allowance. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified by Section 1.17(p).

The Examiner indicated that copies of U.S. patent documents need not be provided. Copies of all other listed documents are attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

English translations of the following non-English patent documents are enclosed with the relevant documents:

JP 2 227079
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English translations of the following non-English articles are also enclosed with the relevant documents:

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In lieu of a translation or statement of relevance, English-language patent equivalents and patent family information have been submitted for the following non-English patent documents:

EP 0 236 210 A1 (equivalent to U.S. Pat. Nos., 5,100,784 and 5,187,261)
EP 0 511 912 A1 (equivalent to U.S. Pat. No. 5,646,012)
EP 0 711 835 A1 (equivalent to U.S. Pat. No. 6,114,146)
FR 2,635,115 (equivalent to EP 0 361 991 A2)
FR 2,719,593 (equivalent to WO 95/30759, translated as above)
DE 37 23 781 A1 (equivalent to UK Pat. Application No. GB 2 193 631 A)
WO 93/15199 (equivalent to U.S. Pat. No. 5,876,969)
WO 93/15211 (equivalent to U.S. Pat. No. 5,665,863)

WO 96/14409 (equivalent to AU Pat. No. 704,594)
WO 96/14416 (equivalent to U.S. Pat. No. 6,149,911)

Finally, the following U.S. patent applications are already before the Examiner and have been considered. Therefore, the following applications are being cited to place them on record:

09/832,501	Ballance et al.	Filed 4/12/01
09/832,929	Rosen et al.	Filed 4/12/01
09/833,041	Rosen et al.	Filed 4/12/01
09/833,111	Rosen et al.	Filed 4/12/01
09/833,118	Rosen et al.	Filed 4/12/01

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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	4,966,843	10/30/90	McCormick et al.	435	69.51	
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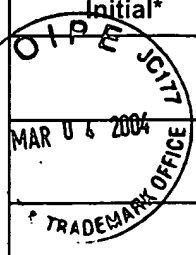
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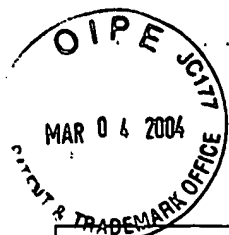
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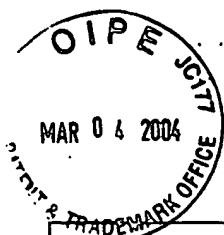
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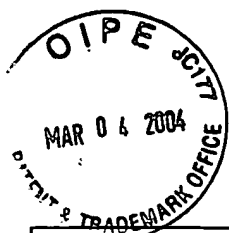
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